

January 27, 1993

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The

Mrs. Kibbey M. Horne  
21057 Twining Avenue  
Riverside, California 92508-72578

Re FCC NPRM PR <sup>93 JAN 32</sup> January 23, 1993  
Worksheet 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein,

It seems that the FCC  
wants to activate more radio  
frequencies which would  
really wipe out the radio  
controlled train which so

into this FCC proposal and  
see if there is not a better  
way<sup>2</sup>.

Sincerely,  
Reggy Horner

93 January 21, 1993  
10:03

**The Honorable Diane Feinstein**  
**United States Senate**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**

I am an active participant in the hobby of radio-controlled model airplanes and cars. I have been involved in this hobby for over twenty years and have seen it grow and provide enjoyment and an educational experience to many people young and old. I personally own eleven radios, seven planes, two helicopters and a dozen cars plus a workshop full of tools necessary to the operating of my models.

I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and

is diminished as proposed by the FCC in their new Part 88, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly reduced.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to ten feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build but more to the point, they are capable of causing property

January 15, 1993

93 JAN 32 AM 10:03

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

I am a hobby retailer who sells many radios, radio-controlled models and related products in my store. In addition I sell model rockets, plastic model kits, kites and other related hobby products.

It has recently come to my attention that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering an action that has the potential to destroy my business and that of thousands of other retailers like me. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for radio-controlled model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. We share this band with private land mobile dispatch operations. However our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of radio-controlled aircraft and surface models by keeping a 10 KHz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by radio-control enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 KHz of frequencies currently available to us, eliminating the safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band (for radio-controlled aircraft) and 10 of the 30 channels on the 75 MHz band (for radio controlled cars and boats) now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will more than likely be affected.

When we operate our radio controlled models, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies

is diminished as proposed by the FCC in their new Part 88, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly reduced.

I do not think that it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio-control modelers. The FCC may not think that we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. It is a billion dollar industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue my business by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92.235 for the 72-76 MHz band. We need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid this economic mistake.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ed P. Shih".

Edward P. Shih  
Partner  
J&M Hobbies

82-10162, 1993: 05  
January 20, 1993

The Honorable Diane Fienstien  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

I'm currently secretary of our local model club the



The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington DC 20510

93 JAN 29 PM 3:25

Dear Senator Feinstein,

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When we operate our models, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordinations and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number usable frequencies are diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio controlled modelers. It is a sizable industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 Mhz band. We need your help now on this matter as the FCC has a February 26, 1993 deadline after which it may be very difficult to avoid having these proposals going into affect.

Sincerely, *Randy L Bronson*

 **BRONSON**  
**CONSTRUCTION CO.**  
2628 Lavery Ct., #406, Newbury Park, CA 91320

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

1993 JAN 29 PM 3:33

Dear Senator Feinstein:

It has recently come to my attention that the Federal Communications Commission is proposing to restructure radio frequencies. The FCC proposal NPRM - PR Docket 92-235 would allow the insertion of two new frequencies between those presently assigned to radio control model aircraft and commercial users. The margin of safety that radio control aircraft presently have between itself and the commercial frequencies would be eliminated. To make matters worse, the proposal calls for these new frequencies to be assigned to "mobile" operators which can operate anywhere without warning.

Radio controlled aircraft transmitters and receivers are very sophisticated and require a frequency buffer for safety from other radio frequencies. All of us are familiar with simple interference one commonly hears while using a telephone or radio. A "bad" connection caused by this kind of interference is merely annoying. To a radio controlled model aircraft, it means total loss of control of the aircraft and a disaster with the loss of model plane, motor and radio. The financial loss can easily run from \$300 to \$1000's of dollars. The potential safety risk to the public of a uncontrolled 5 to 25 pound "missile" flying loose is unthinkable.

Model radio control aircraft are presently very safe and bring enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of enthusiasts. If this proposal is implemented however, radio control aircraft flyers will not be able to prevent interference from these new mobile frequencies. One poorly maintained or malfunctioning mobile radio being driven around will destroy model aircraft everywhere the operator goes. The operator probably would not even know he was leaving a path of crashed model aircraft in his wake. In addition, because the malfunctioning mobile radio is being operated out of a car, it will be virtually impossible to identify the offender to have the unit repaired.

Please put a stop to this proposal before it puts a stop to the model radio controlled aircraft hobby and industry.

Sincerely,

Bill Clark  
2308 Gambel Oak  
Bakersfield, CA 93311

A concerned radio controlled aircraft enthusiast

January 25, 1993

93 JAN 29 AM 9:42

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein :

I have been interested in aviation for some time now. To pursue my interests I took up the hobby of radio controlled model aircraft construction and flying. I belong to the local R/C modelers club and own several model aircraft and radios. Due to the expense of this hobby I have a substantial financial investment in model aircraft, kits, engines and tools.

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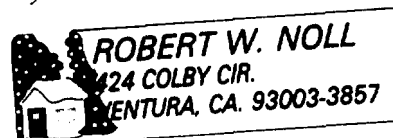
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Sincerely,

*Robert W. Noll*



93 JAN 29 10:07

January 25, 1993

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United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

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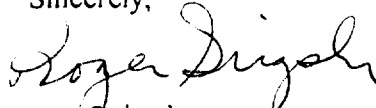
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Sincerely,

  
Roger Grigsby

my Kelly investment of \$4000 including \$2000 in 1972  
I spent for new rules to comply with the FCC rules  
which became effective in December 1981. Note that in 1981  
than 15 months ago, why is the new proposal considered just?  
Yours truly,  
M

Stillman C. Chase  
1077 San Antonio Creek Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

93 JAN 29 AM 10:07

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 23, 1993

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I have had a lifelong fascination with aviation. To express this interest I have built and flown radio controlled model aircraft for many years. I belong to the local R/C modelers club and own several model aircraft and radios. Due to the expense of this hobby I have a substantial financial investment in model aircraft, engines and radios.

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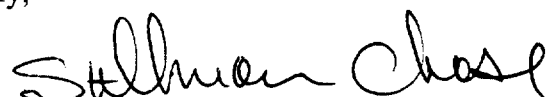
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Sincerely,



January 25, 1993

93 JAN 29 AM 10:08

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein :

I have been interested in aviation for some time now. To pursue my interests I took up the hobby of radio controlled model aircraft construction and flying. I belong to the local R/C modelers club and own several model aircraft and radios. Due to the expense of this hobby I have a substantial financial investment in model aircraft, kits, engines and tools.

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Sincerely,

*Judy Grigory*

Jan. 26, 1993

1993 JAN 29 AM 10:16

HONORABLE DIANNE FEINSTEIN  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Subject: FCC issuance of NPRM PR DOCKET 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I wish to bring this issue to your attention. I am asking you to look into this matter.

FCC has made frequencies changes in the pass and as a user of the system I supported the changes to allow as many users as possible. The change they are now proposing will eliminate the use by thousands of us radio control model users.

The proposed new frequencies will be designated as "mobile" so that none of us will know when and where it is safe to fly our models. The Mobile users will be allowed higher wattage and when a mobile user turns on an adjacent frequency near a inflight radio control model, then the results will be an uncontrolled crash. This brings up the SAFETY ISSUE which also must be addressed.

The present radio technology was developed to allow the narrow spacing that we now use - but will not be able to cope with the proposed NARROWER SPACING.

It is very important that all sides of this issue be carefully evaluated before FCC is allow to make the changes and stop all the activities of both Modelers and the related support industries.

AS a tax payer, voter, and supporter I urged you to help us stop this very dangerous INTRUSION.

Thank You so very much.

Sincerely,  
  
George Coward

Send reply to: George Coward  
43657 Montrose Ave.  
Fremont, CA 94538



93 JAN 29 11:10:13

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21, 1993

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's  
hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing

Donald G. McCarthy  
1440 Via Lima  
Fallbrook, CA 92028  
January 15, 1993

93 JAN 21 AM 10:51

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
Senator  
U.S. Senate  
112 Hart SB  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein:

~~It is my pleasure to inform you that the CDC has approved a petition of~~

1/15/93

Senator Feinstein -

1993 JAN 19 AM 8:02

Re: NPRM PR DOCKET 92-235 (FCC)

If implemented, this will  
increase the number of radio  
controlled models that are "shot  
down" by interference. These  
models are often investments  
of hundreds of dollars and  
hours. Please "shoot down" this  
new rule!

Sincerely -  
E.L. Lovejoy

EUGENE LOVEJOY  
3184 LYNN CT.  
NEWBURY PARK, CA. 91320

George J. Ritter  
& Associates  
Architects A.I.A.

205 JAN 16 PM 6:15

January 11, 1993



The Honorable U.S. Senator, Diane Feinstein  
367 Dirksen Bldg.  
Washington DC 20510

Re: Federal Communications Commissions Notice of Proposed Rule  
Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235)

Dear Senator Feinstein:

My son and I are active in radio control modeling and wish to continue to be able to pursue this advocacy. The new proposed rules in which hearings will soon begin by the Federal Communications Commission addresses frequency uses in another service, Part 88 of the Code of Federal Regulations, but it would also effect Part 95 where radio control modeling frequency uses are regulated, 72 MHz and 75MHz frequencies. These new rules insert two new frequency users between those assigned for modeling and commercial use. These new users are designated as "mobile;" and therefore, could be operating in close proximity to our flying fields, car tracks, and water courses. These frequencies are so close to ours that we will not be free from interference at this frequency spacing. The technical specifications suggest that other concerns may also exist as well.

There are several hundred thousand active radio control modelers pursuing their hobby using current radio control equipment which would create a financial hardship if it were to become unusable or obsolete due to the new frequency users. Further, interference by these new frequencies users would create a safety hazard in the operation of our radio controlled cars, boats, and aircraft.

We request that you use your office to modify these proposed regulations so that the existing frequency separation is maintained between radio control model usage and commercial users and that no new frequency users be inserted between these existing frequency users.

Sincerely,

  
George J. Ritter

  
Chris Ritter

GJR:ks

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The Honorable Dione Feinstein

United States Senate

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Washington D.C. 20510

Dione Feinstein:

mobile frequencies by splitting them into  
groups, bandwidths, and remaining the

and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds.

The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft.

We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of

carry out its proposals for the 72-76  
M.H.Z bond

Sincerely  
Robert E. Robison

Robert E. Robison  
3760 Yvette Way  
Carlsbad CA 92008





January 22, 1993

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

93 JAN 28 AM 9:47

Dear Ms. Feinstein:

I am asking for your support in preventing a serious health risk to the American public. If PR Docket 92-235 proposed by the Federal Communications Commission is allowed, lethal projectiles will come raining out of the sky to inflict serious injury, even potential death to some members of the American public. The projectiles I am referring to are radio controlled aircraft. It is very common for the average weight of this type aircraft to be between 8-20 pounds and travel at speeds of 90-120 miles per hour. Some of the larger scale aircraft weigh up to 55 pounds and fly at speeds up to 160 miles per hour. Send one of these projectiles out of control due to radio interference as PR Docket 92-235 will do if allowed and I guarantee there will be serious problems. These problems can be avoided by not allowing mobile communications to have high power radio frequencies just 2.5 Khz away from the frequencies already allocated for radio controlled aircraft, boats and cars.

I have only been active in this hobby for three years but it has been a life long dream. I currently have about \$5,000.00 invested in equipment and spend about \$400.00 per month and enjoy I every minute. I do not want to lose this healthy pastime nor do I want to be the one who is responsible for a serious injury caused by an out of control aircraft due to radio interference. To ensure that safe operation of this hobby can continue, please do not allow PR Docket 92-235 to be implemented by the FCC.

When economics are considered, it is not just a few radio manufacturers that will be affected. It will be many other manufacturers as well: i.e. manufacturers of engines, airplanes, fuel tanks, landing gear and wheels, control linkages, covering and paints, batteries, battery chargers and meters, and the list goes on. Not only will the manufacturers be affected but their distributors and retail outlets as well. These businesses provide hundreds of thousands of jobs for the American people. If PR Docket 92-235 proposed by the FCC is allowed, these jobs will be in jeopardy. Please support the people that support this hobby, who work and subscribe to the American dream by stopping the implementation of PR Docket 92-235 as proposed by the FCC. I need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

Very truly yours,



Jerry Fisher  
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Morgan Hill, CA 95037  
(408) 779-7309